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Dear Tracy:

Sorry for not having written to you before. I had a good but extenuating time in New York, both with the meeting and with the work with Avery and his men. I got lots of details of technique, and am more and more convinced that things are like I thought. I think that I shall work on it in the fall. I am asking a grant from the Grad. School for this purpose.

I want to ask you whether there would be a chance to get in^{to} your Department a very good man, who happens to be looking for a permanent position. I am sure that you know the man, and that you would enjoy having him there: it's Dietrich Bodenstein, experimental embriologist, Drosophila expert, formerly of Stamford, where he worked with Twiddey, then for two years a Guggenheim Fellow at Columbia, Dept. of Zoology. He is now an American citizen, has a wife, born British, and a daughter. He is about 35, wants a permanent job in which he can do research, and has had teaching experience while at Columbia. I think it would be a very good opportunity for Indiana to get him, and, if you think there is a chance, due to Kroc's leaving, I would suggest that you speak of it to Payne, and also to Cleland, who may be acquainted with the man. If you think it useful, I may write to them myself. Dunn and Dobzansky would both give very good references, I am sure. Bodenstein is now in a malaria control project at the Division of Entomology, Connecticut Agr. Exp. Sta., New Haven.

I am doing more experiments with my mutant viruses, I shall have to rewrite several parts of my paper because I found several new things, among else, I think, the~~x~~ proof that the mutants arise one by one and not due to one bacterium liberating a whole bunch of mutants.

I enclose this letter with a note from Max. Greetings to you, Ruth, and Ruth.

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